# Lesson 18: The Church: Marks (Finding the Right One)

## Memory work

### Q. May we join a church as we wish?

*No. Believers are to join only those assemblies that are truly church of God.*

## Q. How can you know what is truly a church of God?

*By investigating whether a church*

 *in word and deed*

 *seeks to be faithful to God’s Word.*

*This is applied to*

 *what the church believes,*

 *how the church worships, and*

 *how the church is governed.*

## Homework

1.(2) Langley has three congregations of the United Church of Canada. Go to [www.united-church.ca](http://www.united-church.ca), click on Community & Faith, and click on “What we believe” and then on “Faith and the Bible”. Read through this document and write down something from this page that you figure is not right.

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2.(3) South Langley Church is affiliated with the Mennonite Brethren. Read article 12 (expanded) of their confession: <https://www.mennonitebrethren.ca/summary-of-the-confession-of-faith/>. Now read Lord’s Day 37 of our Heidelberg Catechism. What’s the difference in teaching here between Mennonite churches and Reformed churches?

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3a.(2) No church is perfect. The church you belong to is not either. What might turn you away from our church? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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3b.(2) What would attract you to our church? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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4.(1) In your opinion, is the church you are a member of a true church of God? \_\_\_